

## House Resolution No. 3648

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

**Whereas**, fifty years ago Richard J. Runde took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Betty J. Schmitz, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on June 11, 1955, at Immaculate Conception Basilica in Conception, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, five decades later Richard and Betty Runde of Ravenwood will observe their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends on Sunday, June 12, 2005, at Saint Peter's Parish Hall in Stanberry; and

**Whereas**, the marital union of Richard and Betty Runde has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Karen Luke, Kenneth Runde, Doug Runde, Becky Luke, Lynn Noble, and the late David Runde, and their twenty-eight grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Richard and Betty Runde share interests in spending time with their family, attending school events for their grandchildren, living in their retirement home at Rockaway Beach, seeing Branson shows, fishing on Lake Taneycomo, and playing Bingo and cards; and

**Whereas**, Richard Runde is a veteran of the United States Air Force, while Betty Runde is a homemaker; and

**Whereas**, Richard and Betty Runde will use the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes which have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such stellar citizens as Richard and Betty Runde during momentous times in their lives:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Richard and Betty Runde and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Richard and Betty Runde of Ravenwood, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brad Lager  
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3648, adopted June 6, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker